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LIBRARY SCHOOL NOTES

MARCH 1914

Senior Lectures

School and college library course, and Advanced reference and cataloguing course:

Lessons in Italian, with readings in the "Manuale per le biblioteche popolari" of Fabietti. T. E. Comba.

Administration course:

The library and the workingman. Irene Hackett (Englewood, N. J., Public Library).
City library extension. Jessie Welles (Carnegie Library, Pittsburgh).
State library extension. Sarah B. Askew (Asst. State librarian of New Jersey).

Junior Lectures

The appeal of library work with children. Annie C. Moore (The New York Public Library).
Town library administration. Louise G. Hinsdale (East Orange Public Library).
Copyright; Book-buying (two lectures). Edward F. Stevens (Pratt Institute Free Library).
Italian literature from Alfieri to d'Azeglio; Italian literature from d'Azeglio to d'Annunzio (two lectures). T. E. Comba.
The circulation department. Jessie Welles (Carnegie Library, Pittsburgh).

Faculty

On February 26 the Faculty and branch librarians met to discuss student-practice, for a half-hour. Miss Mary Ogden White, who has conducted one of the junior classes in fiction, then spoke for a half-hour on "The Best Seller," and a social hour, with light refreshments, followed.

Miss Juliet Handerson, a graduate of Western Reserve University and the Western Reserve Library School, and for several years keeper of records and statistics in the Cleveland Public Library, joined the Faculty on March 1, as registrar and principal's assistant.

Miss Rose has arranged to divide her time between the School, as instructor and supervisor of practice, and the Circulation department, on behalf of which she will have charge of the securing and care of probationers. Her headquarters have been moved to room 75.

Miss Tracey has prepared a list of material in German, French, and Italian periodicals on the subject of American libraries, which will be printed in the Handbook of the A. L. A. exhibit at the Leipsic Exhibition.

Misses Plummer, Van Valkenburgh, Sutliff, and Rose attended the Atlantic City meeting, March 6 and 7. Miss Plummer spent the eighth and ninth in Philadelphia, where she spoke to the Drexel Library School on "Spanish novelists."

Three graduates, Misses Crowell, Kent, and Newberry; four seniors, Misses Clizbee and Weidinger and Messrs. Goodell and Spaulding; and four juniors, Misses Crenshaw, Kaercher, Rupp, and Young attended the Atlantic City meeting, and were present, with one exception, at the School dinner.

Visits

Miss Alice Tyler, director of the Western Reserve Library School, visited the School on March 9.

Social Affairs

A tea followed Miss Welles' lecture to the juniors on March 18. Prof. Comba, who was also a guest, read from a translation of "Una partita a scacchi" (a game of chess) by Giacosa. Misses Overton, Wait, and Muzzy, of the Circulation department, were present at both lecture and tea.

Publications

Mr. Goodell, of the seniors, has an article entitled "What the Public Library can do for boys" in The Advocate, a magazine published by the boys of Public School 22.

A part of Miss Tracey's list on American libraries appeared in the Bulletin of the New York Library Club for March, 1914. It was confined to references in German.

Appointments

Miss Durlin (jun. 1912) has been made first assistant in the catalogue department of the Cleveland Public Library.

Miss Hitt (jun. 1913) writes from the Kern Co. Library, Bakersfield, Cal.:

"The county library is located in the court house, a new and up-to-date building. We have two rooms and have just received permission to furnish a third one. The library has now a very well-chosen collection of almost ten thousand volumes, and has twenty-eight branches scattered throughout the county, which is somewhat larger than the State of Massachusetts...! While my work is cataloguing, I shall have considerable to do with the general work as soon as I 'catch up'."

Announcements

Vacation for the juniors will extend from March 28 to April 1, only. Seniors will be free from classroom work during the week. It is intended to make up a school party for Washington, during the week of the A. L. A. Conference. Graduates and former students wishing to stay at the School headquarters in Washington, should write to the Principal for information.

On April 1, juniors begin their school-library practice. The mounting and labelling work this year will be done at the Bedford branch of the Brooklyn Public Library, on material for the Leipsic exhibit. Miss Buchanan will supervise the work.

The School has had a gift of a small clay tablet, with cuneiform writing, from Mr. Andrew Keogh of the Yale University Library. It will take its place in the School Museum.

We print in this number of Library school notes Torch Song No. 1, sung by the School at the Alumni dinner in 1913, to the air of "Auld lang syne."

We are the newest of the new,
    The youngest of the young,
To conjugate the verb "to do"
    The Library Schools among.
We've come from far, we've come from near,
    The lands of palm and pine,
To give each other greeting here
    And sing of Auld Lang Syne.

For Auld Lang Syne, my dear,
    For Auld Lang Syne,
We'll take a cup an' drink it up
    For the sake of Auld Lang Syne.

Once more amid our marble walls
    We clasp the friendly hand,
Once more within our marble halls
    We meet, a cordial band.
Though years may try and test the soul
    And time may gray the hair,
Away the weary burdens roll
    'Mid'st scenes we found so fair.

    For Auld Lang Syne, my dear, etc.

Then pass the torch from hand to hand,
    And let the oil not fail,
Till light be shed o'er all the land
    And shades of darkness pale.
In years to be, as there shall come
    To each the closing night,
Be this our guerdon and our palm,
    "We handed on the light."

For Auld Lang Syne, my dear, etc.